

General Counsel, and Paul T. Anastas, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Administrator for the Office of Research and Development, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## IRAN

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine issues pertaining to Iran, after receiving testimony from Karim Sadjadpour, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Michael Singh and Mehdi Khalaji, both of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, and Suzanne Maloney, Brookings Institution, all of Washington, DC; and Hooman Majd, New York, New York.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Capricia Penavic Marshall, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service, who was introduced by Senator Brown, and Daniel M. Rooney, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Ireland, who was introduced by Senators Specter and Casey, both of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## DIABETES RESEARCH

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine type 1 diabetes research progress, after receiving testimony from Griffin P. Rodgers, Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Mary Tyler Moore, Sugar Ray Leonard, and Nick Jonas, all of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, New York, New York; and Hannah Ryder, Cumberland, Maine, J. Patrick Lacher III, South Glastonbury, Connecticut, Asa Kelly, Charlotte, North Carolina, and Ellen Gould, Nashville, Tennessee, all on behalf of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Children's Congress.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee continued consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, June 25, 2009.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of A. Thomas McLellan, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, Alejandro N. Mayorkas, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS QUALITY MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs quality management activities, after receiving testimony from Julie A. Watrous, Director, Combined Assessment Program, Office of Healthcare Inspections, John Daigh, Assistant Inspector General for Healthcare, and Victoria Coates, Director, Atlanta Regional Office, all of the Office of Inspector General, Gerald M. Cross, FAAFP, Acting Under Secretary for Health, William E. Duncan, MACP, Associate Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Quality and Safety, Juan A. Morales, Director, Tennessee Valley Healthcare System, Rebecca J. Wiley, Director, Charlie Norwood Medical Center, and Mary D. Berrocal, Director, Miami Health Care System, all of the Department of Veteran Affairs; Thomas Nolan, Institute for Healthcare Improvement, Silver Spring, Maryland; and Robert A. Wise, The Joint Commission, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FOR ELDERLY AND SPECIAL NEEDS

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine emergency preparedness, aging and special needs, after receiving testimony from Richard Besser, Director, Coordinating Office for Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Timothy Manning, Deputy Administrator, National Preparedness Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; E. Douglas Beach, Florida Secretary on the Emergency Preparedness, Aging, and Special Needs, Department of Elder Affairs, and LuMarie Polivka-West, Florida Health Care Association, both of Tallahassee; and Sandy Markwood, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, Washington, DC.